A bill to lay off and establish a new county by the name of Watauga; which was read the first time and passed, and on motion of Mr. Palmer, referred to the committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Also, a message stating that they had passed the engrossed bill from the House of Commons, entitled a bill to amend an act, entitled an act to amend the laws regulating the Inspection of Turpentine—ratified 14th of January, 1847—with an amendment, in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

On motion of Mr. Stanly, the bill and amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. Satterthwaite called up for consideration, the engrossed bill concerning the Practice of the Law; which was read, and on his motion, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Received a message from the Senate, transmitting the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Commons, inform the Hon. George E. Badger, of his election as Senator of the United States, for the State of North Carolina, for six years, from and after the 4th March next."

Which was read and adopted.

Also, a message proposing to print the Annual Report of the Treasurer of the University; which was agreed to.

Mr. Miller presented the following Resolution:

Resolved, That this House hold evening Sessions from and after this day.

Which was read and rejected.

Mr. Hayes introduced a bill to amend an act, entitled an act to authorise A. R. S. Hunter, of Macon county, to erect a bridge across the Highwassee River, passed at the session of 1834; also to amend the acts of 1838 and 40;